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Welcome to this months edition which includes news of stations on air over the Christmas / New Year period. Unfortunately news seems to be a bit thin on the ground (and on our desk) this month, so some sections are very short whilst others are non-existent. We apologise for the missing sections, but as we rely on your contributions, we can only inform you if you inform us. We of course send our sincere thanks to all those who have made contributions.

We have unfortunately had to increase subscription rates due increased printing costs which can not be avoided, when we began publishing FRNS we had never produced anything of this size, therefore we had no reference points to work from. We have been supporting the news sheet for the last four months and feel it is now time that it supported itself.

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Contributions are always very welcome. In fact this news sheet could not survive without them. You can send anything at all whether SW logs, details of your local FM pirate, cuttings from a news paper / magazine etc... in fact anything at all. THE NEXT DEADLINE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS IS MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY.

COMMENTS

One or two of you have already been contacted via the telephone, as to your thoughts and/or criticisms concerning FRNS, but we are unable to contact everyone in this way. Therefore we are now asking you

on air.

Both PCRL(103.45) and SKYLINE RADIO(94.22) were noted on air every day and as from Thurs 11 Jan Skyline Radio was back to its former strength. With just one day missing, Thurs 21 Dec, PHR(105.43) was noted each day. LASER FM(92.00-92.15) were off air Mon 18 Dec and for a short period from Wed 10 Jan to Sat 13 Jan, whilst METRO FM(105.11) missed just two consecutive days, Fri 22 Dec and Sat 23 Dec. RADIO SANGAM(90.10) missed Mon 18 Dec, Tues 19 Dec and Thurs 21 Dec, but were consistent for the rest of the period, whereas WKS(101.70-101.97) were off air for a total of eight evenings, Mon 25 Dec, Sun 31 Dec, Mon 1 Jan, Tues 2 Jan, Wed 3 Jan, Wed 4 Jan, Thurs 11 Jan and Sat 13 Jan.

Last month we listed a station on 105.85 as being Radio Millan, but it is now believed to be the Asian station RADIO MILLARPAY (apologies if the name is mis-spelt), who were on air from Thurs 21 Dec to Sun 24 Dec, from Tues 26 Dec to Fri 5 Jan and from Sun 7 Jan to Thurs 11 Jan. Another consistent station noted on air is an unidentified Asian station on 105.95, which was noted from Fri 22 Dec to Sun 24 Dec, from Tues 26 Dec to Sun 7 Jan and from Tues 9 Jan to Sun 14 Jan. FREEDOM FM(102.10) have been noted on air for two periods from Sat 23 Dec to Tues 26 Dec and from Sat 30 Dec to Sun 7 Jan. On Sun 31 Dec FREEDOM FM went off air at approximately 1845 UTC for about 10 minutes. Upon their return it was announced that they had fused most of the power in the studio and so were operating in near darkness. On Mon 1 Jan this station was noted at 1121 UTC, but went off air a short while later. That evening they reappeared conducting test broadcasts and on Thurs 4 & Fri 5 Jan this station seemed to be having some transmitter problems.

XR 105.7 FM with frequencies ranging from 105.78 to 106.09 were noted to be on air for a total of fourteen days, 23 (late afternoon), 24 (late afternoon), 27 (evening), 29 (evening), 30 (morning) and 31 (morning) Dec and 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12 (evenings), 13 (morning) and 14 Jan (morning). A new station KFM(101.49) were heard for a total of nine days, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 31 Dec and 1, 2, 4 and 14 Jan. Their programming on Sun 24 Dec and Mon 25 Dec also included a relay of Centre Radio's FM broadcasts.

The following stations have been noted on limited occasions:-

RADIO COUNTDOWN(99.97) 21 & 25 Dec, 13 Jan evenings & 14 Jan afternoon. BASS STATION FM(106.00) 18, 22, 24 & 25 Dec, 7 & 14 Jan evenings only. SABOTAGE FM(107.10) 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26 Dec. CENTRE RADIO(99.26-101.03) 24, 25 & 26 Dec, 10 & 12 Jan. UK RADIO(99.59-101.50) 24, 25, 26 & 27 Dec, 6 Jan evening broadcast included an old programme tape announcing the old frequencies. FRESH FM(94.98-95.65) 24 & 31 Dec, 1, 6 & 7 Jan. MAGIC FM(101.40), broadcasting to the Aldridge and Walsall area, 27 Dec, 1, 2, 5 & 7 Jan. SANGEET RADIO(105.70) 31 Dec evening test broadcast.

BRISTOL REPORT

1986: The only pirate station on air to Bristol at the time, 103.5 FM manages to make broadcasts up until Christmas Eve, but the vanishes and is not heard from again until 18th Jan 1987 and neither 103.5 FM nor new arrivals that year B.A.D. RADIO make any transmissions at all over Christmas or the New Year. (On 3rd Jan 1988, the former appears on the airwaves for the last time.) 1988: Four pirate stations enter the Christmas holidays, F.T.P. RADIO, EMERGENCY RADIO, R.A.W. RADIO and S.Y.T. RADIO, but government meanies ensure that only one comes out alive. 1989: Bristol's current radio pirates uphold the unfortunate tradition of producing a complete 'wash-outs' (unintentionally of course) during the festive period.

As reported last time in FRNS 2, early December brought a whole series of promising omens for the Christmas period:- two pirate stations broadcasting once more, both daily and before long, both attracting a healthy amount of advertising. But on Mon 11th Dec, the 'Blue Christmas' pirate radio syndrome struck with a vengeance, as premier unlicensed station BLACK FM(97.90) suddenly dropped in power for the second time in as many months. Perhaps they were trying to economise by replacing the normal transmitter power supply with a lemon and a couple of nails! Still, at least they were audible over most of the city, particularly through a fair antenna system, for a further eight days, when the BBC, keen to squander a little extra licence payers cash, fired up a

number of new transmitters in the ex-utility transmitter zone. One of which, to the West Midlands...well, you can guess the rest. Savage Yet Tender Radio's problem with 'auntie' earlier in the year ('89 that is) now seems trifling, against the complete obliteration outside the city centre districts of Black FM, whose sweet sound is now marred by Kyli's latest and, far worse, never-ending gabble from the state radio jocks.

Not to be outdone, rivals ST PAULS AND EASTON COMMUNITY RADIO(101.25 mono) despite gaining a mailing address just a couple of days following their launch and re-introducing some well known pirate deejays to the scene, after absences in some cases of over a year, downed power also on Christmas Day itself before returning with an unimproved signal strength on Wed 27th Dec. Following this post-Christmas pre-New Year increase in power, promotions began to appear with increasing regularity, announcing that on New Year's Eve Spec FM would become only the second pirate station in Bristol to hold a road-show, with numerous of its celebrities in attendance by specialist music (and naturally free broadcasting). Unfortunately, the nineties didn't arrive with such a bang as was at first hoped. Apparently, Spec FM's road-show was abandoned (the authorities interfered?), and the station itself left the air around 2pm on New Year's Eve as the deejays were all planning on being at the event. Staff across at Black FM obviously had a similar intention, as some eight and a half hours later "Mr Q" abruptly signed off that station with 'See you next year'. That was all that was heard from Bristol's pirate radio stations for the 1980's as neither resurrected until Thurs 4th Jan, when no doubt the deejays had sobered up a little. Unfortunately for Black FM, the stress of running a full-time pirate station proved a little too much during '89 and so, albeit reluctantly, the station has taken the step of reducing its broadcasting schedule to accommodate Thursdays to Sundays only and Spec FM has followed suit, excluding Mondays and Thursdays programming from its lengthy broadcasting hours.

In all this fairly poor news, however, shines a light to conclude with the "weekend" formats

now employed by the two established pirates. (Black FM though insist their move is a temporary measure) may well have sparked off an old, or possibly even a new flame, willing to add to the pirate programming available at the moment. On Sun 14th Jan, a year since B.A.D.Radio's 1989 comeback, along came a 'white noise' transmission flitting around the dial between 104.80 and 105.45 mHz, eventually settling on 105.20 mHz - B.A.D's old frequency!

LONDON CHRONICLE

Amidst a welter of controversy, accusations of mis-use of BT facilities, and threats of physical violence, LONDON WIDE RADIO (LWR 92.00) returned to the airwaves at the height of the Christmas festivities. In a period when all should have been sweetness and light, LWR managed to cast an ugly pall of fear and loathing over London. LWR returned just one week before celebrating their eighth birthday, and one year after they had stopped broadcasting in an ineffectual attempt to shroud themselves in an air of respectability before applying for a legitimate radio licence. They were conspicuously unsuccessful in this venture, and having realised the futility of following this path, they returned to the dark mean streets of SE London which had spawned them eight years before. They immediately stepped into a cesspool of controversy as they resorted to the sixties style intimidation methods which had been so common in those self same streets thirty years before in the era of the hated Richardson gang.

The return was innocuous enough to begin with as LWR came up on test on 92.20 on Fri 22nd Dec, and began programming the following day. The initial reaction was that they were being placatory to R-FM/RFL and staying off the weekend rock slot. This optimistic scenario was soon dashed as LWR engineers began the slow inexorable move down to the 92.05 slot they had previously occupied. W London Saturday slot sharers, rockers RADIO FREE LONDON decided not to compete with LWR, and on Sat 23rd Dec they were heard on 91.85 for the evening, but were suffering from interference problems from E London reggae rocker HARD ROCK on 91.80. R-FM did not, or would not, make the same move, presumably because of the close

proximity of the Hard Rock tx's, and because they believed they had more than squatters fights to the 92.05 slot.

From this point, matters went rapidly down hill. On Christmas Day, LWR began experiencing an interference signal of two high pitched pulses every 12-14 seconds. As interference went, it wasn't all that successful, as most of the music being played seemed to be hi-energy house music, it actually sounded like part of the music. On Boxing Day matters moved into gear, when Marconi, whose phone line was being used as the R-FM contact line opened his front door to be confronted by three men. The leader of the three was Zak, the normally urbane smooth talking, city suited ex-accountant head of LWR. The veneer of sophistication was dropped on this occasion as the public face of LWR, backed up by two muscle bound pickaxe-handle carrying cohorts became an ugly confrontation of loud threats of physical violence, not only to the hapless Marconi, but to Marconi's family as well. Zak was insistent that if the jamming didn't cease immediately, and R-FM move far away from 92.05, then a continuing campaign of terror where more than limbs would be damaged, would be instigated. In the face of this overwhelmingly intimidating prescience, and the knowledge that the foul mouthed Zak now knew his address, Marconi was justifiably fearful for his own safety, and that of his family. Marconi claimed to be totally unaware of the source of the jamming, or even, that it had been going on, as he was only on the periphery of R-FM. Despite this, when the menacing Zak and his two goons had left, a few phone calls were made and the jamming did stop and R-FM are not to be heard in this slot again. The incident undoubtedly interfered with R-FM's Christmas programming, which had originally been planned to some extensive tests on 101.35 overnight of 28/29 Dec and then ran through until the early hours of 2nd Jan. One of the big features being the inevitable review of the eighties and the top tracks of listeners and dj's.

Zak did make one serious mistake, though, when he let slip that Marconi's address had been traced through the telephone number which had been given out on air as the R-FM

contact number. Not only that, but Zak was in possession of an address which Marconi had been using a few months before. This type of information could only have been obtained through British Telecom, and is not the type of information that is readily available to the public or even to BT's own employees. It would seem that someone in BT has penetrated the security, and gained unauthorised access to BT's files and extracted confidential information about a subscriber. This is something that has implications far wider than the machinations of a petty thug bent on causing may-hem.

During its chequered career, LWR has increasingly been the centre of a number of stories of violence, abusive and intimidatory phone calls, and claims that it, or its personnel, were involved in the theft and sale of rivals transmitters.

When LWR left the air at the end of '88, there were a number of stories around that made it clear that if they were unsuccessful in getting a licence, they would be back - and woe-betide anyone who got in their way. As a result LWR have not been exactly quiet all the year. On a number of occasions, they have been heard for comparatively short periods when they would put out 24 hours of non-stop jingles. It is not known whether this was authorised by LWR or not, as stations claiming to be LWR came up several times before the decisions on the community radio licences were announced. In July they made an abortive attempt to return, but were thwarted by the weather, when the rain got into a poorly sealed transmitter. This too, was an occasion of intimidatory behaviour when rocker Barry Morgan and the R-FM phone room were at the receiving end of abusive and threatening phone calls.

A shaken Marconi still harbours fears for his safety, now that the LWR goons know of his home address, and this was vividly brought home to him in a petty and typically mean minded and nasty little incident that occurred a few weeks later when R-FM had long moved to 101.35, and LWR were re-established on 92.00. During Sun 21st Jan R-FM broadcast, a caller purporting to be LWR's despicable Zak, rang the R-FM phone room with a string of obscenities, and in the way of all contemptible little cowards when

not backed up by muscle, quickly hung up.

This whole nasty little episode shows once again what some people will do to get a share of the lucrative London black music market. This is just one more incident in a long line of violent attacks on stations, some of which have erupted into vicious fighting. Once again might has proved to come out on top, especially in the murky world of London Pirate radio.

Briefly the rest of the news, to be covered in more depth at a later date. The DoT men were singularly successful in the week leading up to Christmas in taking out transmitters. Despite the success, virtually every station was back on air for Christmas, with a record 57 stations (10 in stereo) being heard between 10th Dec and 20th Jan. Of these 8 were un-named, and another 7 were only heard once or for a limited period. After Christmas the official harassment has continued, and has been successful in causing several stations to cut back their output, has their losses of equipment were becoming too high. LWR are reported to have had a number of studio raids.

Heard between 10th Dec / 20th Jan were...CENTRE FORCE(88.25), SUNRISE(88.75st), EUROJAM(89.55), R VICTORY(89.60), FUSION(89.80), RJR(90.00), RTR(90.30), SUPREME(90.45), LIGHTNING(90.90), TWILIGHT(91.70), HARD ROCK(91.80), RFL(92.05/91.85/101.35), R-FM(92.05/101.35), LWR(92.20/92.05), CITYSIDE(92.35), WLIB(92.40), CHILLIN'(92.55), OBSESSION(92.65), DANCE FM(92.95), STARPOINT(93.20st), LAZER(94.00st), CITY(94.45), CLIMAX(95.35st), CRUSH(96.10st), REFLECTION(96.95/88.55), JOY R(97.90), C-FM(98.05), MONA LISA(98.10), CUE FM(98.35/96.95), SE LONDON R(98.50st), FANTASY(98.60/98.40/96.90), LONDON ROCK(99.60/105.60st), SPACE(99.70), DOC'S CAF(99.70), PROPHECY(99.90), FRIENDS(101.30/101.70), Q102(101.80/101.60st), WLR(101.95/101.70), MEDINA(102.15), WBS(102.35), SLR(102.80/99.50/99.65), PEOPLES(103.65), TROPICAL(105.10), JBC(105.35), STOMP(105.40st), RMI(105.60), RAIDERS(105.45/105.60), plus 8 with no ID.

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EAST MIDLANDS

Chesterfield's WBMX have been noted as being on air several times in the past few weeks. They were first noted on the FM dial on Mon 18th Dec on 97.80 mHz and then on 98.20 mHz on Sun 24th, Mon 25th and Tues 26th Dec. For the programme on Fri 29th Dec, they moved even further up the band to 101.20 mHz, where they have apparently settled down. This station was again noted on 30th Dec 1989, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th and 11th Jan 1990. Their programme on Thurs 11th Jan was their last broadcast until March due to the operators having other commitments.

NORTH MIDLANDS RADIO was first heard on 97.95 on Sat 18th Dec, but has now moved up the dial to 98.40 for their Wednesday broadcasts. For Nottingham's LASER HOT HITS, the only details we have for them is that they were on the air on Sat 30th and Sun 31st Dec on 102.20.

YORKSHIRE WAVES

RADIO BRITANNIA was noted on air during the early evening on Mon 25th Dec on 98.40 and again on Sat 13th Jan, whilst the low powered station CLASSIC MUSIC RADIO, gave one of their rare broadcasts on Sun 24th Dec, having moved from 97.90 up to 99.60 for the occasion. The following day, however, they returned to their usual frequency in order to play some favourite album tracks from the eighties on air from 1300 to 1530. Sheffield has a new station which so far has been noted using two different ID's, C.A.F.(Cool as F.ck)/ALICE'S RESTAURANT (105.3) seem to be a group of students who have a few beers and play a few records (to everybody in Sheffield!), also in this area 'pop' music specialists, VILLAGE RADIO(105.5) have made some tests in preparation for a return to the air waves.

SHORTWAVE LOGS & NOTES

The unid stn on 7440 (10th Dec) was actually 'The Voice of Stench' with a 30 minute show via RWI, the stn requested 5IRC's all or US\$1 for a QSL, address PO Box 628, Slanesville, WV25444, USA...French stn Radio Luce has closed down suddenly, however we understand that the stn will be back soon with a new name and a new music format. BPI30 in Rueil doesn't forward mail to luce

any more, so no contact address is available...R. Waves Int has been testing on 6235 & 6321 in addition to regular broadcast on 7440...R. DJ has been off air since the operator got his radio amateurs licence...Falcon R. will not be using the PO Box 109 Northampton etc...address as from 31st Jan, a new address is now required...R. Virginia 6848kHz made their first broadcast on 17th Dec with a power of only 1.8 watts!...R. Rainbow Germany now broadcast each Sat afternoon + Sat night / Sun morning (2200 > 0700UTC) On 6240kHz, address Postbus 65027, 3002 DA Rotterdam, Netherlands...R. Rastafari may be about to make a comeback and have a new address...Postbus 2192, 2301 CD Leiden, Netherlands.

Saturday 23rd December

6911 0925 R. Dublin

Sunday 24th December

6205 1044 unid

6205 1144 R. Arena

6206 1151 R. Orang Utan

6230 0910 Jolly Roger R.

6232 1130 Britain R. Int

6235 1020 R. Meteor

6240 0842 R. Waves Int

6240 0936 R. Rainbow Germany

6260 1306 R.E.C.C.

6275 1238 unid

6299 1109 R. Orion

6299 1339 UK R.

6310 1313 Weekend Music R.

6320 0833 R. Stella Int

6520 0906 R. Luce

6820 1123 Ozone R. Int

6911 0852 R. Dublin

7310 0859 F.R.S.H.

7315 1230 F.R.S.H.

7440 0913 R. Waves Int

15005 1107 Eurosat SW service

15050 1105 P.F.B.S.

RECC was testing in preparation for Christmas Day...tests included a tape of Dallas, Texas stn "Y95" & a Norman Nelson programme for former West Midlands stn "Sounds Alternative". R. Orion relayed UK R. for a time...Orion included Mark Time's syndicated "GRQ Hard Rockin'" programme...The Eurosat address is PO Box 546, 2800AM Gouda, Holland...R. Arena PO Box 47, 7010 Gaanderen, Holland.

Monday 25th December

6206 0720 R. Orang Utan
6312 0732 Weekend Music R.
6215 1615 unid
6230 0952 Jolly Roger R.
6230 1030 Britain R. Int
6240 0839 R. Waves Int
6240 0936 R. Meteor
6240 0936 R. Rainbow Germany
6242 1115 KLA R.
6260 1039 R.E.C.C.
6260 1210 UKGM
6270 1205 unid
6275 1005 W.F.R.L.
6275 1043 R. Mayday
6285 0726 R. Gloria Int
6290 1630 unid
6299 1125 R. Orion
6310 1024 Weekend Music R.
6312 1416 R. Marabu
6312 1524 R. Freedom Int
6313 0836 Weekend Music R.
6630 1234 Stn Delta Tango (QSO)
6630 1236 Fox One (QSO)
6815 1040 R.E.C.C.
6815 1210 UKGM
6911 1051 R. Dublin
7315 0825 Space Stn XMAS
13630 0900 Weekend Music R.
13790 1300 R. Orion
13790 1253 Weekend Music R.
13790 1423 R. Marabu Int
15005 0953 Eurosat SW Service
15043 0900 Weekend Music R.
15050 0939 P.F.B.S.

WMR today started the first of their many Christmas & New Year broadcasts, today's programme included a on-air phone in...Last known contact addresses:-R. Meteor PO Box 41, 7700AA, Dedemsvaart, Holland or c/o FRC Finland, PO Box 82, 40101 Jyvaskyla, Finland...R. Mayday PO Box 22 03 42, D5600 Wuppertal 22, West Germany...KLA R. BM Nectar, London, WCIN 3XX, England...R. Gloria on air very early (all night?) with a 1 minute loop tape.

Tuesday 26th December

6202 0928 R. Marabu
6205 0900 R. Arena
6205 1047 R. Waves Int
6209 1053 unid
6210 0819 Weekend Music R.
6210 1102 R. Waves Int
6210 1120 Jolly Roger R.

6210 1224 4IFR
 6215 1210 unid
 6232 1030 Britain R. Int
 6235 1032 unid
 6240 0907R. Rainbow Germany
 6240 1024 unid
 6242 1110 KLA R.
 6242 1220 unid
 6275 0850 unid
 6285 0811 R. Gloria Int
 6290 1530 unid
 6300 1220 Weekend Music R.
 6310 0807 Weekend Music R.
 6313 0900 Weekend Music R.
 6911 0809 R. Dublin
 7315 0817 Space Stn XMAS
 7630 0819 Weekend Music R.
 13790 1050 Weekend Music R.
 150050917 Eurosat SW service
 15043 0819 Weekend Music R.
 150500817 P.F.B.S.

Saturday 30th December

6230 1140 unid
 6230 1038 Jolly Roger R.
 6257 1120 Delta R.
 6275 0839R-FM
 6290 1516 R.E.C.C.
 6313 1300 unid
 6313 1319 DX20 Calling CQ
 6911 0917 R. Dublin

Contact addresses Delta R. PO Box 5,
 Hunstanton, Norfolk, PE36 5AU, England...R.

Dublin have been asking for reception reports
 to: 58 Inchicore Rd, Kilmainham, Dublin 8, Eire

**note please address letters to a
 DJ/presenter at R. Dublin**

Sunday 31st December

6200 1108 Freesound R. Int
 6200 1245 R. Farthing
 6225 1133 R Waves Int
 6229 1200 unid
 6230 0853 Passion R.
 6230 0953 R. Vanessa
 6230 1013 R. Maneta
 6230 1038 4IFR
 6230 1100 R. Orang Utan
 6230 1125 R. Waves Int
 6230 1303 Jolly Roger R.
 6235 1133 R Waves Int
 6236 0746 Weekend Music R.
 6240 1010 R. Rainbow Germany
 6240 1054 Weekend Music R.
 6245 1155 unid

6275 0751 R-FM
 6280 1121 Westside R.
 6280 1136 Ozone R. Int
 6290 1102 R.E.C.C.
 6300 1125 Weekend Music R.
 6310 1202 Weekend Music R.
 6312 1419 DX20 Calling CQ
 6315 0746 R. Rainbow Germany
 6319 0850 unid
 6320 0746 R. Stella Int
 6520 0821 R. Luce
 6911 0852 R. Dublin
 7429 1023 R. Universum
 7430 0849 R. Pogo 104
 7430 0909 unid
 7430 0946 R.E.C.H.
 7430 1022 S.B.C.
 7440 1034 R. Waves Int
 7490 0936 V of the Netherlands
 150051052 Eurosat SW Service
 S.B.C.22 03 42, D5600 Wuppertal 22, West
 Germany.

Monday 1st January

6232 1035 Britain R. Int
 6235 0925 unid
 6239 0802 R. Rainbow Germany
 6240 0911 Tangerine R.
 6275 0825 R-FM
 6285 0817 R. Titanic Int
 6290 1612 unid
 6299 1053 Ozone R. Int
 6300 1056 R. Orion
 6315 0719 R. Rainbow Germany
 6319 1005 R. Stella Int
 6320 1130 unid
 6520 0920 R. Luce
 6911 0858 R. Dublin
 6930 0933 UKGM
 7440 1003 R. Waves Int

15005 0908 Eurosat SW Service

Tangerine R. is an American station...last
 known contact address: PO Box 5074, Hilo,
 Hawaii HI 96720 USA

Tuesday 2nd January

6911 0855 R. Dublin
 6930 0920 UKGM
 Saturday 6th January
 6240 1458 R. Germany?
 6275 1417 R-FM
 6912 1100 R Dublin

Sunday 7th January

6205 0910 R. Freedom Int
 6230 0930 unid

6230 1002 Jolly Roger R.
 6230 1213 unid
 6275 0958 W.F.R.L.
 6275 1224 R-FM
 6290 0938 R.E.C.C.
 6299 1043 R. Orion
 6315 1226 unid
 6320 0830 R. Stella Int
 6870 0838 Falcon R.
 6911 0849 R. Dublin
 7430 0830 R. Wahnsinn
 7440 0837 R. Waves Int
 7440 1029 4IFR

7490 1015 R. Powerplay
 15005 0843 Eurosat SW Service
RECC today broadcast an interview specially recorded in America for them. Al Weiner (R. New York Int) gave an interesting interview which was unfortunately spoilt by poor reception conditions...A special QSL is available for this section of the programme from Dave RECC-USA, 553 East Fulton Street, Long Beach, New York, NY 11561-2416 USA.

Saturday 13th January

6224 1140 unid
 6911 0856 R. Dublin

Sunday 14th January

6215 1142 unid
 6232 1001 Britain R. Int
 6275 0931 unid
 6275 0958 W.F.R.L.
 6275 0938 R-FM
 6280 1337 Stn Delta Tango
 6280 1347 Golf Tango (QSO)
 6280 1347 R. Gloria (QSO)
 6299 1053 4IFR
 6299 1100 R. Orion
 6305 1026 unid
 6315 1300 R. Gloria (calling CQ)
 6820 1126 Ozone R. Int
 6848 1132 I.R.R.S.
 6870 0852 Falcon R.
 6870 0915 I.R.R.S. (DX Prog)
 6911 0851 R. Dublin
 7440 0854 R. Waves Int
 7440 0921 Rebel R. Int
 7440 1012 4IFR
 7490 0853 PFBS

Today's broadcast by PFBS was a 4th birthday special.

Sunday 21st January

6205 1004 R. Freedom Int
 6225 1025 Atlanta R.

6230 0933 unid
 6230 1010 Jolly Roger R.
 6230 1120 unid
 6240 0854 R. Limit Int
 6275 1034 R-FM
 6275 1140 unid
 6290 1029 R.E.C.C.
 6299 1054 R. Orion
 6319 0855 R. Stella Int
 6820 1120 Ozone R. Int
 6850 0901 I.R.R.S.
 6870 0900 Falcon R.
 6911 0859 R. Dublin
 7440 0915 unid
 7440 0929 R. Waves Int
 7490 0858 R. Marabu Int
 15040 1300 R. Northlight Int

We logged R. Northlight Int with a good signal who were testing and asking for reception reports, the presenter 'John Perfect' also mentioned tests on 6225, 6240, & 6315 none were logged...address PO 6403, 2300 Kiel 14, West Germany...R. Atlanta was testing today on their 11th birthday address PO Box 5, Hunstanton, Norfolk, PE36 5AU England...RECC again broadcast the Al Weiner (R. New York Int) interview because of poor conditions last week...A special QSL is available for this section of the programme from Dave RECC-USA, 553 East Fulton Street, Long Beach, New York, NY 11561-2416 USA.

We must apologise for not stating who logged each SW station, this is due to a computer fault (corrupted disc).

Again we must thank everyone who has taken the time to send news or logs for inclusion in FRNS

THE SOUND OF SWEDEN

On The Air

YOUR REPORT DATED
 July 8th
 AT 18.35 HOURS
 GMT ON 7500 KHZ
 HAS BEEN CHECKED
 AND IT IS A PLEASURE
 FOR ME TO TELL YOU
 THE RIGHTNESS OF IT.

Anders Persson



ODDS & ENDS

Several medium wave stations in Europe have been logged by contributors this month. Occasionally in the recent past we have been able to listen to these stations here in Lincoln with rather better signals than Radio Caroline (unfortunately).

Here is a list of stations logged and addresses where known:-

1623 R. ARMADA... PO Box 9, 8150 AA Lemelerveld, Holland.

1609 ZENDER CURACOU...Kruisselt Laan 14, 7587 NM De Lutte, Holland.

1612 ZWARTE ZEEMAN...address unknown.

1615 R. 807...PO Box 341, 3770 AH Barneveld, Holland.

1618 R. SAPPORRO...PO Box 341, 3770 AH Barneveld, Holland.

CONTACTS WANTED

Doug Sharrard wishes to contact any Free Radio Fans / Anoraks, so put pen to paper and write to Doug Sharrard, 64 Brighton Rd, Moreton Rd Est, Leicester, LE5 0HA...and tell him FRNS sent you!

FRNS TAPES

We have had many requests for FRNS to start producing tape offers as A-UK did previously. We are currently considering doing this and if enough interest is shown, we would need good quality and / or interesting radio tapes.

If you are interested or can offer any help, please contact us as soon as possible.

FRNS ADDRESS FILE

As this magazine is limited for space, we are unable to list all the addresses of the stations mentioned each month. For this reason we are producing a booklet of Free Radio addresses, British FM, British & European MW and SW stations, which should be ready for despatch shortly. More details to follow next month.

CAROLINE GOODIES

Solar Video have several items in connection with Radio Caroline available, including the new 'Caroline into the Nineties' sticker. For further details send a SAE to Solar Video, BCM Box, London, WC1N 3XX.

FOOL IF YOU THINK IT'S OVER

We have recently been informed of a new book about Offshore Radio, called 'Fool if you think it's over' and written by Peter Messingfeld. Although it is written in German, this A5 book includes some very good photographs, with nine of the 36 pages being newspaper articles (some in English). To get your copy, just send an International Money Order or a Eurocheque to the value of £5 to Offshore Spezial - Versand, Postfach 10 09 26 - 40 40, Neuss 1, West Germany.

